

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB1584

Introduced 2/26/2021, by Sen. Napoleon Harris, III

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 575/4

from Ch. 127, par. 132.604

Amends the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act. Modifies the percentages of the total dollar amount of State contracts required to be established as an aspirational goal to be awarded to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. Requires the Department of Central Management Services to by rule further establish committed diversity aspirational goals (currently, numbers) for State contracts awarded to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. Makes conforming changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women,
- 5 and Persons with Disabilities Act is amended by changing
- 6 Section 4 as follows:
- 7 (30 ILCS 575/4) (from Ch. 127, par. 132.604)
- 8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on June 30, 2024)
- 9 Sec. 4. Award of State contracts.
- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), not less than 10 11 30% <del>20%</del> of the total dollar amount of State contracts, as 12 defined by the Secretary of the Council and approved by the Council, shall be established as an aspirational goal to be 13 14 awarded to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities; provided, however, that of the total amount 15 16 of all State contracts awarded to businesses owned by 17 minorities, women, and persons with disabilities pursuant to this Section, contracts representing at least 16% 11% shall be 18 19 awarded to businesses owned by minorities, contracts 20 representing at least 10% 7% shall be awarded to women-owned 21 businesses, and contracts representing at least 4% 2% shall be 22 awarded to businesses owned by persons with disabilities.
- The above percentage relates to the total dollar amount of

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State contracts during each State fiscal year, calculated by examining independently each type of contract for each agency or public institutions of higher education which lets such contracts. Only that percentage of arrangements which represents the participation of businesses owned minorities, women, and persons with disabilities on such contracts shall be included. State contracts subject to the requirements of this Act shall include the requirement that only expenditures to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities that perform a commercially useful function may be counted toward the goals set forth by this Act. Contracts shall include а definition of "commercially useful function" that is consistent with 49 CFR 26.55(c).

- (a-5) In addition to the aspirational goals in awarding State contracts set under subsection (a), the Department of Central Management Services shall by rule further establish committed diversity aspirational goals for State contracts awarded to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. Such efforts shall include, but not be limited to, further concerted outreach efforts to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.
- (b) Not less than 20% of the total dollar amount of State construction contracts is established as an aspirational goal to be awarded to businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities; provided that, contracts

representing at least 11% of the total dollar amount of State construction contracts shall be awarded to businesses owned by minorities; contracts representing at least 7% of the total dollar amount of State construction contracts shall be awarded to women-owned businesses; and contracts representing at least 2% of the total dollar amount of State construction contracts shall be awarded to businesses owned by persons with disabilities.

- (c) (Blank).
- (d) Within one year after April 28, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-8), the Department of Central Management Services shall conduct a social scientific study that measures the impact of discrimination on minority and women business development in Illinois. Within 18 months after April 28, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-8), the Department shall issue a report of its findings and any recommendations on whether to adjust the goals for minority and women participation established in this Act. Copies of this report and the social scientific study shall be filed with the Governor and the General Assembly.

By December 1, 2020, the Department of Central Management Services shall conduct a new social scientific study that measures the impact of discrimination on minority and women business development in Illinois. By June 1, 2022, the Department shall issue a report of its findings and any recommendations on whether to adjust the goals for minority

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and women participation established in this Act. Copies of
this report and the social scientific study shall be filed
with the Governor, the Advisory Board, and the General
Assembly. By December 1, 2022, the Department of Central
Management Services Business Enterprise Program shall develop
a model for social scientific disparity study sourcing for
local governmental units to adapt and implement to address
regional disparities in public procurement.

(e) Except as permitted under this Act or as otherwise mandated by federal law or regulation, those who submit bids or proposals for State contracts subject to the provisions of this Act, whose bids or proposals are successful and include a utilization plan but that fail to meet the goals set forth in subsection (b) of this Section, shall be notified of that deficiency and shall be afforded a period not to exceed 10 calendar days from the date of notification to cure that deficiency in the bid or proposal. The deficiency in the bid or proposal may only be cured by contracting with additional subcontractors who are owned by minorities or women. Any increase in cost to a contract for the addition of a subcontractor to cure a bid's deficiency shall not affect the bid price, shall not be used in the request for an exemption in this Act, and in no case shall an identified subcontractor with a certification made pursuant to this Act be terminated from the contract without the written consent of the State agency or public institution of higher education entering into

- 1 the contract.
- 2 (f) Non-construction solicitations that include Business
- 3 Enterprise Program participation goals shall require bidders
- 4 and offerors to include utilization plans. Utilization plans
- 5 are due at the time of bid or offer submission. Failure to
- 6 complete and include a utilization plan, including
- 7 documentation demonstrating good faith effort when requesting
- 8 a waiver, shall render the bid or offer non-responsive.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 100-391, eff. 8-25-17; 101-170, eff. 1-1-20;
- 10 101-601, eff. 1-1-20; revised 10-26-20.)